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"Today, I learned"

Random brain-snacks picked up along the way

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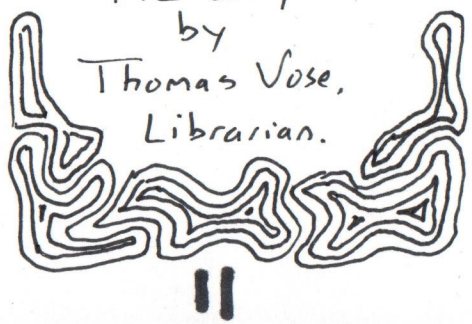

The world has wonder everywhere we look.

Everything has a story, and you will never know more than the tiniest part of the whole.

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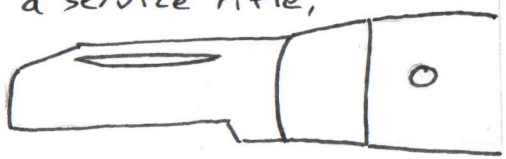
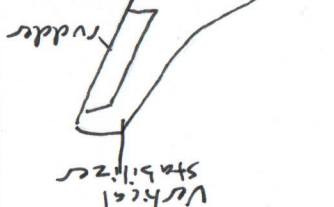
The Swiss Army knife was developed to provide a screwdriver for disassembling a service rifle,



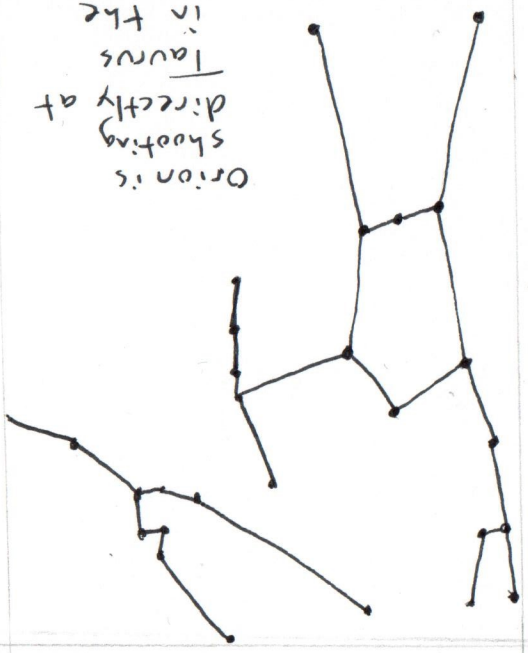
as well as a can opener for getting at sealed rations. It was originally called the "Modell 1890."

Corn was genetically engineered by the ancient Mesoamericans. Nobody really knows how. It used to look like this, a ← grass called teosinte that still grows today. Corn has to be propagated by man - it can't reproduce itself otherwise.

The tail of an airplane is called its "empennage":

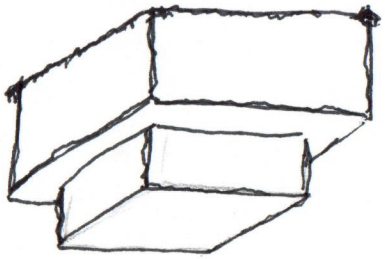
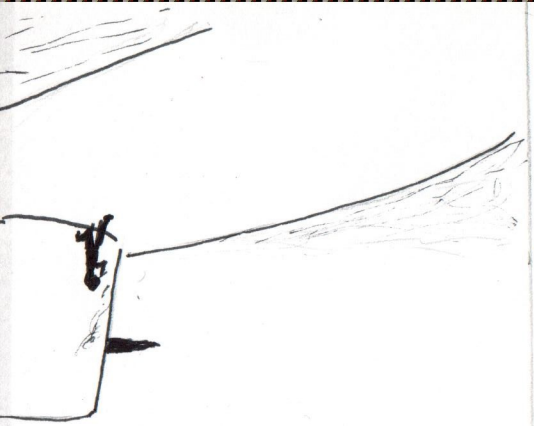


The rudders and elevators keep the nose pointed in the right direction.



Orion is shooting directly at Taurus in the night sky.

The Zanes were statues of Zeus put up at the site of the ancient Olympics. They were paid for by fines levied on cheaters, and put up to dishonor their memories. (The bases are all that's left.)



Nicotine gum was developed to help submarine crews deal with their cravings when the vessel was submerged.